

# Maryland Historical Trust

## Maryland Inventory of

### Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. HA-2227

#### 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other 626 W. Bel Air Avenue

#### 2. Location

street and number 626 W. Bel Air Avenue not for publication

city, town vicinity

county Harford

#### 3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name J. Grafton Osborn

street and number 626 W. Bel Air Avenue telephone

city, town Bel Air state MD zip code 21078

#### 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Harford County Courthouse liber 616 folio 228

city, town Bel Air tax map 205 tax parcel 1258 tax ID number 029189

#### 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District  
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District  
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER  
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT  
☐ Other:

#### 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory

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## 7. Description

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### Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

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Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

This is a 3 story, gable roofed, Queen Anne style house. There is a rounded wrap-around porch with carved columns topped with elaborate fretwork. A gabled roof entrance is on the south side of the porch. The second Story is 2 bays wide with 2/2 shuttered windows. The 3<sup>rd</sup> story has fish scale shingles and is 1 bay wide with a 1/1 bay. This window has a hipped pediment. There is a projection on the south eastern side of the home with a gabled roof adjacent to a brick chimney. The north side of the house has a gable roofed extension. The first story of the extension has an entrance door and 1 4/4 bay. The second story has 3 shuttered 4/4 bays. The 3<sup>rd</sup> story has a 1/1 bay surrounded by fish scale shingles. The second story has 3 shuttered 4/4 bays. The 3<sup>rd</sup> story has a 1/1 bay surrounded by fish scale shingles.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____

Specific dates

Architect/Builder

Construction dates

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☐ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

This house is a fine example of Queen Anne architecture. It has not been remodeled nor added on to and remains in pristine condition.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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Harford County Courthouse

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 28.350 sq. feet or .65 acres

Acreage of historical setting

Quadrangle name	Aberdeen
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Quadrangle scale: \_\_\_\_\_

### Verbal boundary description and justification

**11. Form Prepared by**

name/title

organization Aberdeen Heritage Trust

date 02/09

street & number 4 Parke Street

telephone

city or town Aberdeen

state MD

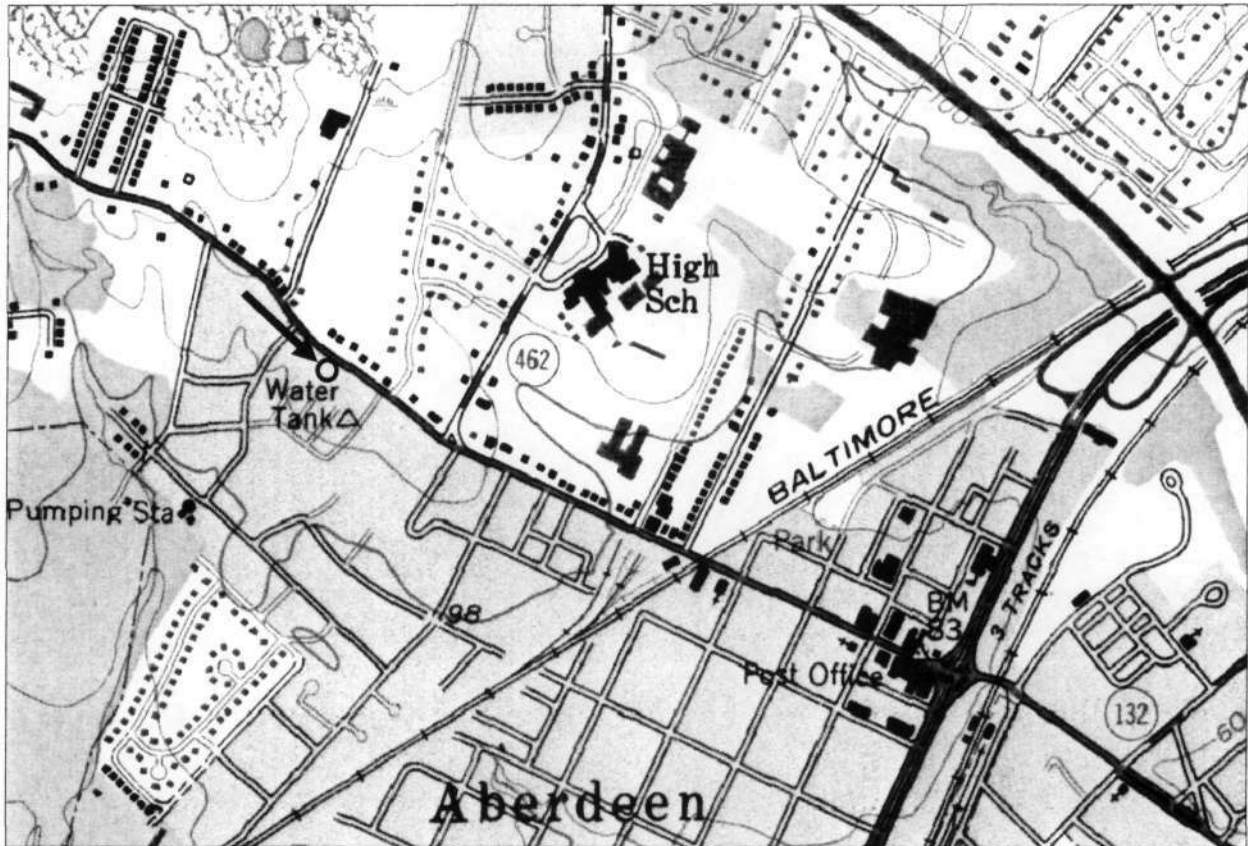
The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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 626 W. Bel Air Avenue (MD 132), Aberdeen  
 Aberdeen Quadrangle 1953 (Photorevised 1985)



Harford County Tax Map 205, p. 1258

Sanborn Map, 1950, Sheet 1

